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"The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) produces some of the most closely watched economic statistics that influence the decisions made by government officials, business people, households, and individuals. The BEA's economic statistics, which provide a comprehensive, up-to-date picture of the US economy, are key ingredients in critical decisions affecting monetary policy, tax and budget projections, and business investment plans."

**The National Bureau of Economic Research, Inc.**  
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"The National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) is a private, nonprofit, nonpartisan research organization dedicated to promoting a greater understanding of how the economy works. The NBER is committed to undertaking and disseminating unbiased economic research among public policymakers, business professionals, and the academic community."

**And last, but certainly not least, is an excellent one-stop reference book that is a great starting point for anyone that needs business and economic data:**

#### **Business Statistics on the Web 2003**

Berinstein, Paula  
R 519.5028 B BUSINESS

This practical guide shows business owners and business researchers how to search the Internet for statistics about markets, companies, and industries. It will show you how to organize and present statistics, and how to evaluate them for reliability. Topical organization by country/region, this invaluable reference tool shows Internet researchers how to evaluate statistics on the web, and how to zero in on specific information.



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### **AN ANNOTATED WEB LIST**

**The International Center for Strategic Planning**  
[www.icfsp.com](http://www.icfsp.com)

The International Center for Strategic Planning (ICFSP) presents educational programs each year during the month of October, to draw worldwide attention to the value of formal strategic planning. In honor of International Strategic Planning Month, ICFSP will be making strategic planning exercises available on their Web site each week. Each exercise is designed to either inform of strategic planning principles or challenge participants to explore their strategic planning abilities.

**The Strategic Thinker**  
[www.thestrategicthinker.com](http://www.thestrategicthinker.com)

This Web-based newsletter provides news items or poses situations for you to think about and submit your responses online.

**Dismal Scientist**  
[www.economy.com/dismal](http://www.economy.com/dismal)

Provides economic information using data and tools, indicators, and analysis for North and South America, Europe, Asia/Pacific, and globally in general.

### **U.S. Census Bureau**

[www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)

The Census Bureau Web site provides online access to statistical and economic data.

### **Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts**

[www.uscourts.gov](http://www.uscourts.gov)

This site's function is to act as a clearinghouse for information from and about the Judicial Branch of the U.S. Government.

### **Federal Reserve Board**

[www.federalreserve.gov](http://www.federalreserve.gov)

The Federal Reserve System (FRS) is the central bank of the United States. This Web site provides information on how the FRB conducts the nation's monetary policies, supervises and regulates banking institutions, maintains the stability of the financial system, contains systemic risk that may arise in financial market, and provides financial services to depository institutions, the U.S. government, and foreign official institutions, including playing a major role in operating the nation's payments system.

- In addition, check out the FRB's new releases and bulletins at these two sites

[www.federalreserve.gov/releases](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases) and  
[www.federalreserve.gov/pubs/bulletin/default.htm](http://www.federalreserve.gov/pubs/bulletin/default.htm)

### **The Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council**

[www.ffiec.gov](http://www.ffiec.gov)

"The Council is a formal interagency body empowered to prescribe uniform principles, standards, and report forms for the federal examination of financial institutions by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRB), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), and the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), and to make recommendations to promote uniformity in the supervision of financial institutions."

### **Economagic.com**

[www.economagic.com](http://www.economagic.com)

Economic statistics compiled from a wide range of government and private sources.

### **Economic Cycle Research Institute**

[www.businesscycle.com](http://www.businesscycle.com)

Provides economic indicators for countries, regions, and industries.

### **Securities and Exchange Commission**

[www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov)

As the official site of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), financial information on public companies is provided. The primary mission of the SEC is to protect investors and maintain the integrity of the securities markets. As more and more first-time investors turn to the markets to help secure their futures, pay for homes, and send children to college, these goals are more compelling than ever.

### **The Conference Board**

[www.conference-board.org](http://www.conference-board.org)

The Conference Board publishes leading, coincident, and lagging indexes designed to signal peaks and troughs in the business cycle for nine countries around the world.

### **Economic Indicators**

[www.economicindicators.gov](http://www.economicindicators.gov)

Provided by the U.S. Department of Commerce through their Economic and Statistic Administration, the mission of this site is to provide timely access to the daily releases of key economic indicators from the Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau.

